Sri R. V. SWAMINATHAN :—" In answering a supplementary question the Hon. Minister said that postponement of collection of these loans are ordered on the merits of each case. May I know the basis the Government propose to adopt to sanction postponement of collection in individual cases? "

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Famine conditions and the incapacity of the people to pay and so many other considerations of which hon. Member is himself aware."

Sri V. GOPALA GOUNDER :—" May I know the amount that was outstanding on the date when the memorandum was received by Government and how much was collected by the time the order was issued by the Government? "

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" A separate question may be put, Sir."

Special judicial tribunal for settling disputes between the workers and owners of plantations.

* 279 Q.—Sri K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state whether the Government have any proposal at present to appoint a special judicial tribunal for settling disputes between the workers and owners of plantations in this State?

The Hon. Dr. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Yes, Sir, the matter is under the consideration of Government."

Sri K. P. GOPALAN :—" Will the Hon. the Minister be pleased to state whether Government have taken any definite decision to appoint the Tribunal? "

The Hon. Dr. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Yes, Sir, I expect orders to be passed within a week at the most."

Sri S. C. C. ANTHONY PILLAI :—" Have Government received any representations or complaints about the existing Tribunal? "

The Hon. Dr. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" I am afraid, Sir, I cannot answer that question."

Plight of the ex-employees of the tramways.

* 280 Q.—Sri M. PALANIYANDI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state what steps the Government have taken to find a solution to the plight of the 1,500 tramwaymen who have become unemployed on account of the stoppage of trams?

The Hon. Dr. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" The Transport Commissioner has been instructed to absorb in his department as many ex-employees of the tramways as possible in vacancies